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USING A CLUSTER-WIDE SHARED REPOSITORY TO PROVIDE THE
LATEST CONSISTENT DEFINITION OF THE CLUSTER (AVOIDING
THE PARTITION-IN-TIME PROBLEM)



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